## TRIAL PROCEDURES

- 1. <u>Trial Briefs</u>: Unless otherwise ordered by the court, trial briefs shall be filed five (5) court days prior to trial. Courtesy copies of the trial briefs must be delivered to chambers, Room 1582 on the same date.
- 2. <u>Testimony</u>: Direct testimony will <u>not</u> be accepted by declaration unless the court orders otherwise.
- 3. Exhibits: All trial exhibits shall be numbered and marked as required by Local Rule 9013-2(b). At least five (5) court days before trial, each counsel shall deliver to chambers the original and one copy of a notebook containing all trial exhibits. The original exhibits shall be tagged as required by Local Rule 9013-2(b). Counsel shall deliver to chambers an Exhibit Register at the same time. Counsel shall exchange all exhibits on or before the date of the delivery to chambers. The Exhibit Books shall include all exhibits anticipated to be used at the trial, including all rebuttal exhibits. Exhibits to be used for impeachment only need not be included.
- 4. <u>Continuance/Postponement of Trial</u>: As a general rule, scheduled trials will not be continued prior to or at trial. Motions/Stipulations for continuance of trial must be submitted in writing at least two (2) court days prior to the scheduled trial date. The parties will be contacted by the judge's law clerk or judicial assistant as to whether the continuance has been granted or denied.
- 5. <u>Settlement</u>: In the event of a settlement prior to trial, the parties shall immediately contact and advise the judge's law clerk.